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THE DOLLAR WEEKLY BULLETIN. John H. Oberly & Co. have reduced the subscription price of the Weekly Cairo Bulletin to One Dollar per annum, making it the cheapest published in Southern Illinois.

THE Jacksonville Sentinel has taken the Vallandigham shoot.

JEFF. DAVIS talks, not because he has anything to say but because he has a fine-like voice.

THE Quincy Herald lingers by the wayside, and hesitates to take to the "new departure."

IN the New Hampshire house of representatives, every officer, including the sergeant-at-arms and door-keepers, are democrats.

THE Richmond Enquirer slaps Jeff. Davis on the mouth, saying: "You talk too much." The Whig strikes him, and says: "Shut up."

EVEN the Mobile Register—a paper soaked with the virus of Bourbonism—has departed, and swallowed the three amendments at one fell swoop.

THE poor old State Register is among the democratic departures. A few years ago the dear dotard read THE BULLETIN out of the party for taking the position that accomplished facts should be accepted.

THE New York papers say that a company of prominent capitalists, with Cyrus W. Field at the head, proposes to lay a submarine cable connecting South America, San Domingo and the West India Islands with the United States.

PRESIDENT GRANT sent a letter to the Morse statue committee regretting his inability to be present at the unveiling ceremonies. If the committee had invited him to be present at a horse race, he would have sent no letter of declination. He would have been present. But doing honor to merit not in a horse is, in the president's estimation, a useless waste of time.

FRED. GRANT, son of old Uncle, has been betrothed to the English princess, Beatrice—so a New York telegram says. We believe this to be a ridiculous canard; but, so many just as wonderful events have happened of late years, we would not be astonished if it proved to be a true report. The president upon the manners of royalty, and the marriage of his son with the royal family of England would be altogether proper—in his opinion; and all the sattering fell ows who do the sycophantic business around the presidential throne, would declare the nuptials just the thing, while the lady courtiers would sigh and say: "So nice!"

THE CAIRO AND VINCENNES R.R.

The extract from a letter lately written by Horace Greeley, published this morning in another column of THE BULLETIN, may call to the minds of the lake-warm friends and open and under-the-bush enemies of the Cairo and Vincennes railroad an appreciation of the importance of that railroad to Cairo.

The "International" road, of Texas, will be an accomplished fact before next May, and in a short time thereafter the cars will be rushing over the Cairo and Fulton road along its entire length. This will give to Cairo the command of the great cattle market of Texas; and when the Cairo and Vincennes railroad shall have been completed, will make this city the gateway through which will pour into Texas a great flood of emigrants from Europe and the Eastern states of the union where now poverty sows in rags and reaps in tatters. Here, too—in Cairo—will most of the business between Texas and the great states north of us be transacted and millions of dollars be left in the coffers of our merchants and mechanics. Indeed, we cannot trust ourselves to attempt to picture the prosperity which, in our opinion, would result to Cairo by the opening of a grand thoroughfare from the heart of Texas through this city to the commercial metropolis of the country. If we did, we might be accused of hyperbole; but we submit the matter to the thoughtful consideration of our fellow-citizens, satisfied that the most apathetic among them will at once see that such a thoroughfare would make Cairo a great city. Let us, then, secure the Cairo and Vincennes road now that we may, and by doing so, add the most important link to that thoroughfare, and thus assure to our city the prosperity we long for and the greatness which her geographical position proclaims she should possess.

A WORD FOR JEFF. DAVIS.

(Extract from Jeff. Davis' Atlanta Speech.) "In conclusion, let me assure you that I prefer a discussion of the life insurance business to a discussion of politics, and that it will afford me pleasure to insure the life of every man present and guarantee to him an hundred years of existence."

The Atlanta speech of Mr. Jefferson Davis has created a great deal of comment in every part of the country, and democrats and republicans alike have denounced it as the utterance of indiscretion not to say of foolishness. We cannot assent to this denunciation. It is unjust, and the men who indulge in it know little of Mr. Davis' character. To appreciate the speech we must look at the surroundings of the speaker. He is no longer a public man on whose words the destinies of a nation may depend, but a plain, simple business man, driving the life insurance "trade" with energy and tact. He visited Georgia in his capacity of life insurance agent, and made the speech complained of in the interest of his company. He did just what the soap vender and the wizard oil man do every day in our streets. He got together a large crowd of people, entertained them with a few oratorical flights, and then invited them to insure in his company. "The American eagle is the proud bird of the clouds," exclaims the Wizard-oil man; "he soars and soars and soars, but he can't compare with this healing oil, which I now offer you at the low price of twenty-five cents a vial." "I will accept nothing," exclaims Jeff Davis; "and he is a poltroon who talks about accomplished facts, but if my friends who are now listening to me will permit, I shall be most happy to insure their invaluable lives." Could anything be more unique? And yet the soft-soap, wizard-oil, please-insure-your-life speech of the president of a life insurance company has been magnified into political significance! We cannot doubt that, if Mr. Davis went out of the life insurance business into the side-show profession, he would be followed by reporters from one town to another; all his eulogies of the fine points of the polar bear and comeliness of the five-legged sheep be construed into an attempt to create another rebellion, and each sentence of his speeches be held up as conclusive evidence that the southern people should be kept under the heel of military power and the government retained in the hands of the republican party. Who, that is calm, can endorse this unjust crusade? We protest that Mr. Davis, who is now old and somewhat garrulous, should be allowed to drive his life insurance business in his own way. He has a right to do so under the constitution as it is, with all the amendments from the first to the fifteenth inclusive.

PERSONAL.

—Madame Paraps Rosa is expected in this country next month.
—Senator Sumner has declined to deliver the opening address at the St. Louis state fair.
—Mrs. Myra Clark Gaines has another quarrel with the city of New Orleans about her property.
—President Grant has decided to make a trip to the Pacific coast about the middle of August. He will be accompanied by Senator Nye.
—Rev. Ludwig Fink, of St. Joseph's

Church, Chicago, has been consecrated as bishop in partibus and coadjutor to Bishop Mieya, vicar apostolic of Kansas.

—Lady Poltimore, at a recent drawing-room reception of Queen Victoria at Buckingham palace, wore the veil worn by Maria Antoinette on the occasion of her marriage to Louis XVI. It is a magnificent point d'Alencon.

NEWS PARAGRAPHS.

—Seventeen year locusts have made their appearance in some parts of Iowa.
—An Italian who has been begging in St. Louis is worth twenty thousand dollars.
—There is a great demand for harvest hands throughout the southern and central portions of this state.
—Jasper, cornelian, moss-agate, me-thysts, garnets and chalcedony, are found in abundance in Nevada.
—On July 1st, the rates on cable dispatches are to be advanced to \$1.00 per word for persas, general and commercial news, and to \$2.00 per word for public and press cipher messages.

LITERATURE.

(Books and Magazines.)
—A new edition of Agnes Strickland's "Queens of England" has just been published.

—Marion Harland, the popular author of "Alone," "Nemesis," and other novels, has compiled a book of receipts and general directions for housekeeping, highly spoken of by the press.

—It has been discovered that Hacklard's famous fairy tales were not original productions, as the author claimed, but translations from the work of an obscure Italian author named Cavalli, who died in the year 1805, at Milan.

—Dr. Mary Walker has just published a book entitled "Hit," and in the preface accounts for the crude appearance of the work by saying that if she were to delay its publication longer to improve it "thousands of women would suffer agonies in the waiting."

—The American Odd-Fellow for June is one of the best numbers ever issued. It contains eighty pages of interesting and instructive reading matter. A Noble Return, a story of changed fortunes; The Young Bride; Notes of Travel (illustrated); Letter from England; Life on the Great Plains; Humors of the day; Odd Francis; Uniform for the Patriarchs; Departments for the Home Circle; Accounts of the Fifty-second Anniversary Celebrations; Extensive Correspondence, etc., etc. Published by the A. O. F. Association, No. 95 Nassau street, New-York. \$2.50 per year.

—Advance orders for Mrs. Alcott's new book, "Little Men," already exceed 20,000 copies, and the book is likely to rival even "Little Women" in popularity. The peculiar system of education which is illustrated in its pages is understood to be the same as practiced in the Alcott household during the author's juvenescence. Alcott, per se, now famous as a conversationist, was many years ago, a teacher, and on one occasion punished a misdeed-meaning boy by compelling him to ferule his teacher. A similar reversal of the usual order of pedagogical discipline is described in "Little Men."

Scribner's Monthly for July is fully equal to its predecessors. J. T. Headly leads off with a splendidly illustrated article on "Philadelphia." Mr. W. H. Hallcock's "Saints in Japan" gives much valuable information concerning that marvellous island. The most important essay in the present number is Horace Bushnell's able discussion of "Free Trade and Protection," in which this distinguished writer and thinker presents what seems to be a very common-sense and judicious view of a much-mooted question. Miss Louise Bushnell follows her father with a charming account of a "Fete-day at Melismont," which will be read with peculiar interest at this time. A most curious article is R. W. Wright's "Samson's Riddle Solved—the Lion-cup versus the Lion-cup," by which the learned writer appears actually to have discovered the solution of Samson's celebrated riddle, which has puzzled the world for three thousand years. The "Plea for Chinese labor" is timely and sensible, and "Back-Log Studies," by Charles Dudley Warner, (author of My Summer in a Garden), is one of the most witty, thoughtful, and suggestive papers of the writers of the generation nearest to Charles Lamb. In the story element, this number is particularly strong. First, there is MacDonald's grandly beautiful Wilfrid Cumbermede; then we have a capital Fourth of July story, "The Gunpowder Plot," a tale by Julia C. R. Door, with the taking title of "My Husband's First Love," and "Edson's Mother," a quaint story by Susan Coolidge. The editorial departments are as usual very readable. The "Etchings" consist of another clever poem by Baker, "Up the Aiale," with exquisite illustrations by Miss Ledyard, being a sequel to "Love's Young Dream," and closing a number of Scribner's which will form delightful reading for the summer days. Scribner & Co., New-York, \$3 a year.

(From The Jonesboro Gazette.)

Twain Brothers, James & John Kerr, were born in the year 1798, being 73 years of age on the 4th inst. (to-day) Both have raised large families. John has five sons and five daughters, all living, never having a death in his family. He has been married 54 years. These brothers and their families all reside in the vicinity of Cobden, and attended the same church on last Sunday. Both have belonged to the M. E. Church for the last 34 years. The wife of John Kerr is over 73 years of age. These brothers are farmers of this county. John raised three hundred bushels of corn last year with his own labor.

Soldiers are advised not to sell or part with their discharge, which are in active demand in the west. The new law of Congress so modifies the requirements of the homestead act that a soldier or sailor who served ninety days or more during the rebellion may deduct his term of enlistment from the five years' settlement hitherto required to perfect his title. For instance, if he served in the army or navy, he may acquire a full title to a quarter section of land by a residence of two years. There is evidence that the sharks are preparing to write dishonest fortunes out of the law.

CAIRO AND TEXAS.

HORACE GREELEY ON THE "INTERNATIONAL" RAILROAD.

WHAT HE THINKS ABOUT IT—THE HEART OF TEXAS TO BE BROUGHT WITHIN FOUR DAYS' TRAVEL OF NEW-YORK, VIA CAIRO.

Mr. Horace Greeley is now writing letters to the New-York Tribune giving his impressions of Texas, in which state he has lately been sojourning. In the Tribune of the 6th inst., three of his letters are published, in which he pronounces Texas water "bad," the roads ditto; points to a great deficiency of railroads, and five thousand square miles of coal beds lying practically useless; says that the people buy flour from Minnesota, pine from Louisiana and Florida, hams from Ohio, and butter from New-York, etc., and then declares that railroads will revolutionize the social and business condition of the state. On the subject of railroads, he says, the commonwealth is aroused, and he then enumerates the enterprises of this kind that are being rapidly pushed forward towards completion. He then says:

But the most important and effective single line of railroad in the state is the "International," which connects at Fulton, Arkansas, on her northeastern border, with one from Cairo, Ill., and thus with Chicago and New York, running diagonally through Texas from north to south, west, crossing the Southern Pacific and the "Great Northern" near Tyler, the "Texas Central" at Hearne, and thence pushing straight for Austin, the capital, and thence to San Antonio, and so on to the Rio Grande not far from Laredo. This road, though begun last November at Hearne, where it crosses the "Texas Central," and impeded by the necessity of importing corn at a cost of \$2.10 per bushel and hay at \$85 per ton, for its oxen and mules, has been pushed right vigorously in either direction, and will have crossed both the Brazos and Colorado, and reached Austin on the one hand, the Trinity on the other by next May. Two years hence it will have been completed from Fulton to San Antonio (400), and will then have brought the heart of this state within four days' travel of the Commercial Emporium, where it will be known as one of the most judicious and successful railway enterprises ever planned. It will carry more beef cattle than any road on the globe, and it will bring into Texas more immigrants than railroad ever carried into any state till now.

LUCK.

HOW AN INDIANAPOLIS GROCER BECAME A MILLIONAIRE.

(From the Indianapolis Sentinel.)

Henry W. Caldwell, the well known former Indiana avenue commission merchant, residing at No. 175 West Michigan street, has just turned a page in the chapter of his history that seems more like fiction sober truth. Late in the seventeenth century, his great-grandfather came to this country and settled in New York. This real estate since that time has been transferred time and again, but always by lease, inasmuch as a clear title could not have been given. Mr. Caldwell's ancestors seem to have neglected their interests, and in course of time to have forgotten all about it. Some three years since the Indianapolis Caldwell discovered a clue that finally led to the establishment of his claim as one of the legal heirs to that property. With his customary tact and perseverance he set to work to gather up what evidence was necessary, and so successful was the search that last week he started for New York city with all the material to make his title good. Upon arrival there he laid his claim before some influential lawyers, and through them a proposition was made to the holders of this estate—Vanderbilt, one of the Astors, and others—to give them this New York interest for \$1,000,000. This proposition was taken under advisement by them, and Mr. Caldwell thereupon started for home. By the time he arrived at Niagara Falls, a telegram was received here by his wife from the New York parties, accepting the terms proposed. This was forwarded to Mr. Caldwell, who returned to New York, made over a quit claim, received the money, and now holds certificates of deposit for \$1,000,000 in some of the national banks of that city.

The Pike County Democrat gives a lengthy and interesting account of a recent visit made by Mr. Bush, the editor, and James L. Erwin, Esq., to the mammoth cave discovered a few months ago on the line of the Pike County Railroad. The mouth of the cave was discovered by some hands who were looking for rock for culverts. Mr. Bush describes it as containing several lakes and many wonderful curiosities. They penetrated 636 feet, the cave is attracting many visitors.

Two little school girls were lately prattling together, and one of them said, "We keep four servants, have got six horses and lots of carriages, but what have you got?" With quite as much pride the other answered, "We have got a skunk under our barn."

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